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Free Online Tutoring Awaits Students Going Back to School Tutor.com Services Available Through Library's Web Site

SAN DIEGO – Students returning to school this fall in the fourth through 12th grades can take advantage of free online homework assistance through the City of San Diego Public Library's Web site (http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/).

Tutor.com provides one-on-one information services for libraries and other educational institutions. Students can log on at libraries or from home and are connected with a live tutor in an online classroom for help in math, science, social studies and English. Spanish-speaking students can receive assistance from bilingual tutors in math and science. Students and tutors can review specific homework questions in the online classroom using controlled chat rooms, an interactive white board and shared Web browsing. The service can also be beneficial for those seeking their general education degree.

"The San Diego Public Library has always been a great resource to help students with their schoolwork," said City Library Director Anna Tatár. "Providing online tutoring services takes our assistance one step further.

"The fact that Tutor.com services are being offered free is not only a great help for students, but also a major cost savings for parents," Tatár added.

Funding was made possible thanks to \$100,000 in federal money secured by U.S. Rep. Randall Cunningham earlier this year for all libraries in the San Diego region to offer the service.

The free service is available daily from 3 to 10 p.m. at all City libraries and to students at home via the Library on the City Web site.

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